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In re Application of: :
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Marjana M. Abby et al. :
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For: COLUMN NETWORK HARDWARE :
MANAGEMENT SYSTEM :

PETITION TO WITHDRAW HOLDING OF ABANDONMENT PER 37 C.F.R. 1.181

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

Per 37 C.F.R. § 1.181, Applicant respectfully requests withdrawal of the December 28, 2005 Notice of Abandonment in the subject application because the Notice was improperly issued.

On August 25, 2005, a Restriction Requirement was made in the subject application between Claims 1-16, drawn to a channel, classified in Class 211, Subclass 26, or Claims 17-24, drawn to a management system, classified in Class 211, Subclass 189. The August 25, 2005 Restriction Requirement established a reply due date set to expire one month from August 25, 2005, i.e., by September 25, 2005.

Per 37 C.F.R. § 1.136, Applicant may extend the time period for reply to such a Restriction Requirement up to five months after the time period of September 25, 2005 set for reply, if a petition for an extension of time and the extension fee set in 37 C.F.R. 1.17(a) are filed. Thus, Applicant is entitled to a one month extension to October 25, 2005, a two month

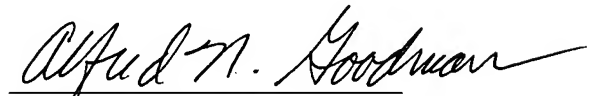
extension to November 25, 2005, a three month extension to December 25, 2005, a four month extension to January 25, 2006, and a five month extension to February 25, 2006.

Submitted with this Petition are (1) the Response to Restriction Requirement, (2) a Request for a four month extension to January 25, 2006, and (3) the extension fee of \$1,590.00.

No petition fee is believed necessary for this petition under 37 C.F.R. 1.181. If such a fee is due or if Applicant has submitted less than the required extension fee, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge deposit account 18-2220 for any such deficiency.

In view of the above, Applicant respectfully requests granting of this Petition and return of the application to the Examiner for further prosecution.

Prompt and favorable examination of this application are respectfully requested.



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